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## POLICE COURT JUST ONE CASE AFTER ANOTHER

At Thursday's police court there was an imposing docket, chiefly centering round the glories of booze in the North Land. The Big Police was there with bells on his fingers and a number of cases on his hands. First Officer Ackroyd had a charge of illegally having liquor for sale against Mrs. Mary Kleen. Mrs. Kleen pleaded not guilty, and had Solicitor Cook to prove her innocence. After a trial of the evidence, the case was dismissed, but not before it gave grounds for charging John Zalinsky with offence. John being placed on trial was fined $200 and costs or three months. He paid. In giving evidence in the Zalinsky case, one witness, Charles Wilomas said that he had got a bottle for Nik Haluk, one of the Provincial Officer's chief witnesses.

Then Chief Sally varied the procedure by presenting a charge of assault against Mr. Nik Haluk. According to the information Nik was with the Provincial Officer and went to Mrs. Kleen's house for the key of a nearby shack. Mrs. Kleen refused to give up the key, and she affirmed that Nik used her roughly to force the key away from her. This case was also dismissed, Nik denying the assault completely.

Another case of Provincial Officer Ackroyd's that depended on similar evidence to that against Mrs. Kleen was withdrdawn. It was against an Austrian named Markovitch.

A man named Peterson was fined $10 and costs for being drunk. For the same offence, the same Provincial Officer had Mr. Chevrefils fined the same amount. Cheverfils also faced a charge of theft, but the complainant wanted to withdraw. Officer Ackroyd, however did not believe in withdrawals in such cases, as he had been put to trouble and expense in investigating. On taking up the case, it was found that the stolen goods had been returned, that the defendant claimed to be drunk at the time he committed the theft, and that no previous convictions were registered against him. On making restitution and paying costs, Chevrefils was allowed to go on suspended sentence with a warning.

For being drunk, Charles Wilomas was fined $25 and costs, which he paid forthwith.

The Provincial Officer's charge against Kusnik for keeping a gaming house was adjourned for a week.

Sam Waterman, who was picked up in Schumacher by the Big Police, was fined $200 and costs for having liquor in a public place.

C. Raymond (or Labrosse) who was arrested at the same time and at the same place as Chevrefils, was fined $200 and costs or three months in jail for having liquor in a public place. Not having the money he was taken down on Friday.

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Last week the Jacobs-Pierce Co. brought in another carload of horses for sale here. Horses are scarce in the south, but the Pierce-Jacobs Co. seem to be able to get them, and also to dispose of them to mutual satisfaction. One horse sold here brought $600 recently, while its mate sold for $450.

## LIEUT. HAROLD GARNER WOUNDED AT FRONT

**Former Hollinger Engineer Has Exciting Experience Under Shell-Fire.**

Lieut. Harold Garner, a former well-known and popular member of the Hollinger engineering staff, is reported as severely wounded. Lieut. Garner is 31 years of age, was at the West African mines for some time, and then came to Cobalt seven years ago. From Cobalt he came to Porcupine, being a valued member of the Hollinger engineering staff, so many of whose members have given noteworthy service at the battle front in this war. Lieut. Garner enlisted on August 5th., 1914, as a private, and was given a commission in 1916. He spent two and a half years in the front line trenches with the Tunnelling Corps, receiving the Military Cross for valiant work at Messines Ridge. No particulars as to Lieut. Garner's wounds are to hand, apart from the information in a letter from his brother, Edward, at Uxbridge, England, under date of August 24th. This letter says:—"Dear old Harold came back to Blighty last Sunday and is now in Princess Christian's Officers Home, No. 6 Grosvenor Place, Hyde Park. He was in that Messines affair, had just finished what he had to do, and was making his way back to the trench when a high explosive shell came over and hit his sergeant, who was five yards off, and, of course, blew him to pieces. Harold was blown fifteen yards away, sat up and shook himself, and then managed to get up. His first thought was for the sergeant, and on looking around he observed the poor man's leg a few feet off, and that was all he could find of him. He staggered about a bit, and seemed to get dizzy; suddenly remembering that he had some morphine tablets, took one, and got a little better and ultimately got to his trench, a mass of mess and blood. The shell burst behind him, caught his right shoulder and right knee both very badly, and the left knee also. He is getting along very nicely."

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Pte. Ken Deacon, of the Forestry Draft, left on Tuesday to report for service at Camp Borden.

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Acting Chief Sally heard sounds unlike the murmur of falling rain on Friday. He stepped outside in time to see John Degori abusing his horse. John, being an alien, was welcomed to the cells, and later he was assessed before Justice of the Peace Montgomery $10 and costs. No matter what may be the fashion in Austria or Germany, or more civilized Turkey or Bulgaria, horse-beating finds no favor with Acting Chief Sally.

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